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Title: System and Method for  
Performing Rapid Control  
Prototyping Using a  
Plurality of Graphical  
Programs that Share a  
Single Graphical User  
Interface

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF  
OCTOBER 5, 2004**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of October 5, 2004, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.